

PCN – Product Change Notification

Topic:	NEO-M8M, NEO-M8Q ROM firmware upgrade
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1 Affected Products

Product Name	Order Number	Type No (Old)	Type No (New)	Remarks
NEO-M8M	NEO-M8M-0	NEO-M8M-0-01	NEO-M8M-0-10	ROM FW upgrade
NEO-M8Q	NEO-M8Q-0	NEO-M8Q-0-01	NEO-M8Q-0-10	ROM FW upgrade

2 Type of Change

- ☐ Hardware modification
☒ Firmware update
☐ Others, _____

3 Description of Change

The affected products may be identified according to the Type Number as follows:

Product Type No	Firmware version	Remarks
NEO-M8M-0-01 (old)	ROM 2.01	
NEO-M8M-0-10 (new)	ROM SPG 3.01	
NEO-M8Q-0-01 (old)	ROM 2.01	
NEO-M8Q-0-10 (new)	ROM SPG 3.01	

3.1 FW upgrade

From the date indicated below (section 4) a new firmware release will be applied to the above products in production. The new ROM SPG 3.01 offers Galileo reception, improved BeiDou performance and many other new features. For full change details, see SPG3.01 Release Note [1], NEO-M8 Data Sheet [2], and other documents listed in section 6.

4 Schedule

Samples:	30-June-2016
Estimated First Shipment Date ¹ :	30-Sept-2016
Documentation:	See Reference Documents

¹ The Estimated First Shipment Date is the forecasted date that a customer may expect to receive changed product with the new Type Number. This is determined by the estimated date of inventory depletion on the PCN issue date. This may be affected by fluctuations in supply and demand. Consequently, although customers should be prepared to receive changed product on this date, u-blox will continue to ship pre-change product until a time in which inventory has been depleted. This may result in pre-change product being shipped to customers after this forecasted date.

5 Customer Impact and Recommended Action

u-blox has taken all reasonable measures to insure ROM SPG3.01 is backward compatible to the ROM 2.01 based NEO-M8M/Q modules.

u-blox will offer NEO-M8M-0-10 and NEO-M8Q-0-10 samples with ROM SPG3.01 for customers to evaluate. Please contact your local Sales representative.

6 Reference Documents

- [1] GNSS FW3.01 Release Note (UBX-16000319)
- [2] NEO-M8 (FW3) Data Sheet (UBX-15031086)
- [3] NEO-8Q / NEO-M8 (FW3) Hardware Integration Manual (UBX-15029985)
- [4] u-blox 8 / u-blox M8 Receiver Description including Protocol Specification (UBX-13003221)
- [5] NEO-M8 (FW3) Product Summary (UBX-16000345)
- [6] u-blox M8 SPG3.01 Migration Guide (UBX-15028330)